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## TEACHERS OF COUNTY HERE CROWDS ARE CHURCH GOING

Splendid Program Features Protracted Meeting Drawing  
Gathering of County's Large Congregations at  
Ma'ms and Masters Christian Church

The Wise county teachers' institute opened in Decatur at the high school building last Monday morning with 109 teachers present. County Superintendent Roe opened the institute with an appropriate talk, and the teachers entered into the work with real interest. Those on the program give evidence of preparation and the sessions are proving both interesting and instructive.

Among the visitors who have addressed the teachers are A. E. Crisp, of the Denton Normal, Ray Coffee, connected with the extension department of the State University, Roy Holder, connected with the war-savings campaign, County Agent E. T. Kemp, President J. L. Ward of the Baptist college, Rev. H. J. Matthews, who have made excellent addresses to the institute. Many helpful and interesting talks have been made by the different teachers of the county.

Much interest is being shown in the inter-scholastic league work. The county league was organized on Wednesday and the following officers were elected: B. C. Schulkey, superintendent Alvord schools, director general; Roy Magers, principal of Chico schools, director of public speaking; Miss Claudie Mae Workman, principal of Decatur schools, director of essays; Miss Bessie Zorns, instructor in Boyd schools, director of spelling; S. D. Handley, superintendent of Rhome schools, director of athletics. Great enthusiasm in the work of the county league is manifested by the teachers and over thirty school have enrolled as members. The teachers are realizing this as a very important part of the school work, and many other schools are expected to join the league.

On Thursday the Messenger presented the following communication to the Wise county teachers' institute now in session in Decatur: "To the Teachers' Institute of Wise County:

"Realizing that the teachers of Wise county are in need of an official publication which they can depend upon to publish all news of school interest in the county—a medium through which they may feel free to discuss matters of interest and importance to the teachers and schools of the county, we are offering the Wise County Messenger as such a publication.

"The Messenger has always had at heart the interest of the teachers and education of the youth of the county, and we have endeavored to champion these interests to the end that progress along educational lines might be achieved. We believe that an "Educational Column" in our paper—conducted by a committee of live-wire teachers named by this institute—will be of great value to education in the county, and will arouse a greater interest in education among both teachers and patrons. We therefore suggest that the Institute take action in the matter and make a publicity committee, which will edit a weekly column for this paper. We are glad to offer for such publicity space because of the good we believe it would accomplish.

COLLINS & SMITH, Publishers." During the morning session the institute unanimously accepted the Messenger's proposition, and this paper was voted the official paper for the teachers of Wise county. The following committee was named to edit an educational department in the Messenger each week: Supt. A. S. Johnson, Bridgeport; Mrs. Bun Smith, Alvord; Miss Gable Sue Carpenter, Rhome; C. H. Dillehay, Decatur; and W. V. Harrison, Boyd. The Messenger thanks the teachers for the action, and we assure them we will strive to assist them in every way possible for the advancement of education in the county. The names of Wise county teachers

On Sunday, August 31, there opened in Decatur, what, at this time appears to be one of the greatest protracted meetings that has been held in Decatur for many years. Rev. S. J. Shettlesworth, assisted by the pastor, S. P. Miller, and Misses Eddleman and Elliott, began Sunday morning promptly on time. At the outset, it was evident that this party of soul-winners were on the job. Sunday night the old church house was filled early, and some sat on the outside in cars. The evangelistic subject was "The Christian Race," and it was well-handled from a scriptural standpoint. The subject on Monday night was "Personal Work" and was very interesting. Tuesday night the subject was "Christian Sacrifice." Some of the subjects to be preached on during the meeting are: "Christian Union"—is it desirable, practical, scriptural, workable—one of the greatest questions confronting the religious world today. Shall the farewell prayer of the Savior be answered, or shall the present divided condition of the church go on?

Other subjects are, "World's Greatest Court Trial," "Popular Excuses," "Three Classes of Inquirers," "Saddest Words of Jesus," "Eight Reasons Why I am Not a Campbellite," "The Forgotten Savior."

The whole town seems to be interested in the meeting and in helping this church to maintain the place that it has occupied here for forty years or more, christians of all denominations are co-operating and additions to the church are being had at almost every service. One prominent feature of the meeting is the song service. Miss Bonnie Eddleman is a great leader and has a most pleasing personality and sweet voice. The songs are soul-stirring and are a fit prelude to the sermons that follow. Miss Elliott at the piano is simply fine. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

### Pioneer of County Dies in Haskell

James Perrin, formerly of Wise county, died at his home in Wienert, Haskell county, last Monday, after several weeks' illness. He was buried at Haskell on Tuesday.

The news of the death of this good man caused sadness among his many friends in Wise county, for he was greatly loved and admired among the many who knew him here. He was a true and honorable man whose sturdy character has long been recognized in this section. He was one of the pioneers of this county and for many years resided below Decatur, later moving to the Sycamore community. Mr. Perrin was the son of the pioneer, Samuel Perrin. He was born in Lincoln county, Kentucky, on March 14, 1838; he settled in Wise county with his parents in 1854. During the Civil war and years of Indian troubles, he was a state ranger, located for some time at old Buffalo Springs. Finally his company was absorbed into the Confederate service, and he remained guarding the frontier throughout the strife with headquarters at Fort Belknap, Young county. He was married on April 13, 1870, to Miss Henrietta Gose, sister of J. C. Gose and Steve Gose, and Mrs. M. A. Harding of this city. To this union were born a number of children.

C. P. Dodson was in Montague country recently, and he reports the oil excitement at fever heat up there. It is freely predicted that a big strike will be made on the farm of Mrs. Dodson's mother, near Nocona.

attending the institute are given in another column.

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# 20 YEARS AGO

Messenger of September 1, 1899.

Miss Grace Bascom is visiting Miss Minnie Gililand.

Brother Edgar Procter of the Boyd Index, was a visitor to our office Wednesday.

Quite a number of the members of the K. P. lodge of this place, went to Bridgeport Tuesday night to organize a lodge.

Scott Gordon went to Dan on business Thursday.

Fred Curtis is putting in a large steam corn-sheller with a capacity of 2000 bushels per day at the old Kinnebrew & Gililand blacksmith shop.

Our wide-awake liveryman, H. H. Fields, not content with keeping up with the procession, but with a determination to lead, and concluding that horses were too slow, has purchased a fine six-passenger horseless carriage to take the place of our busses and slow-going cars in transporting passengers to and from the depot and about the city.

Rev. S. G. Christal came home Monday from Slidell, where he has been conducting a meeting and reports 29 conversions.

R. G. Cates and wife last Saturday for Doyle, I. T., in response to a letter received from their son, Will Cates, stating that his wife is dangerously sick.

R. L. Thompson has recently spent several days in Fort Worth, attending the Masonic school of instruction.

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 19.—News was received here today of the death of First Lieutenant A. W. Drew, of the Twelfth United States infantry at Manila, Philippine islands. Lieutenant Drew was a native of Texas, entered West Point in 1887. He was a major of the Third Texas volunteer infantry in the war with the Spanish and when that regiment was mustered out, he rejoined the Twelfth regulars at St. Louis and proceeded with it to the Philippines. Major Drew was one of the most popular officers with the Texas troops in the volunteer service.

## Card of Thanks

We wish to express our great appreciation of the many acts of devotion and kindness, and the words of love and sympathy extended during the last illness and at the death of our beloved wife and mother. May God's rich blessings rest on every friend who has striven to soften our sorrow in this dark hour.

J. C. LEWIS,  
MR. AND MRS. C. C. LEWIS,  
MR. AND MRS. GUS LEWIS,  
MR. AND MRS. F. H. HELM,  
MR. AND MRS. WM. LEWIS.

## Marriage Licenses

Alvy Watts and Miss Grace Ausbrook, Alvord.

Lewis Womack and Miss Lela Matheson, Decatur.

W. N. Dodson and Miss Hazel Holt, Decatur.

Frank Ward has returned from Dallas.

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O river of yesterday, with current swift

Through chasms descending, and soon lost to sight,

I do not care to follow in their flight

The faded leaves that on thy bosom drift!

O river of Tomorrow, I uplift

Mine eyes, and thee I follow, as the night

Wanes into morning, and the dawning light

Broadens, and all the shadows fade and shift!

I follow, follow, where thy waters run

Through unfrequented, unfamiliar fields,

Fragrant with flowers and musical with song;

Still follow, follow; sure to meet the sun,

And content that what the future yields

Will be the right, unless myself be wrong.

—Longfellow.

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## SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

There were 169 in Sunday school and real good congregations at both preaching services. The pastor preached at the morning service on "Brotherly Love" and at night on "The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ." There were two happy converts baptized at the close of the prayer meeting service on Wednesday

night. There are others yet to be baptized. Our County missions will amount to almost three hundred dollars. All services next Sunday as usual. The pastor will preach at both hours and large congregations are expected. The Wise County Baptist Association will meet next Wednesday, Sept. 10th, at 10 a. m. at Bridgeport. — HARLAN J. MATTHEWS, Pastor.

The army chevrons worn by officers were, years ago, used to designate, first, the householder—the man who had a roof. He brought to the army a small number of followers. The headman of two or three houses came with a more respectable following. His corporal's chevron had two stripes. Above him was the chief of the village or small district, representing many houses, and bring-

ing a corresponding number of followers. Three chevrons on his sleeve indicated that he was a man of authority over many roofs. He bore the title of sergeant. Lieutenants' and captains' bars represented commands large enough to be enclosed within walls—that is to say, garrisons. The leaf, worn by the major and lieutenant colonel, indicated the man who commanded a great

number of men, as many as would assemble under a great tree, eagle, the insignia of the colonel, stood for command of as many as would come under the vision of the lord of the air. The star, the symbol worn by the general, represented the height of power, so great that it could be represented only by a heavenly body.



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## LIST OF TEACHERS AT THE INSTITUTE

The following is a list of those attending the institute, with their addresses and the place they will teach the next session:

Miss Goldie Alexander, Decatur, Dan school.  
E. E. Alexander, Alvord, Round Mound school.  
J. C. Alexander, Decatur, Flatwood school.  
J. E. Admire, Park Springs, Park Springs school.  
Marion Armstrong, Sunset, Crafton school.  
W. H. Atwood, Decatur, Lone Star school.  
Miss Henrietta Austin, Denton, Rush Creek school.  
Miss Ruth Barnett, Paradise, Center Point.  
Miss Glenn Barker, Rhome, Blewett school.  
Miss Mamie Belew, Decatur, Greenwood school.  
Mrs. Edna Bridges, Paradise, Arnold school.  
Miss Bess Bobo, Rhome, Rhome school.  
Miss Lois Buck, Boyd, Pella school.  
Miss Hazel Burnett, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
S. R. Bowlin, Bridgeport, Pleasant Valley school.  
Miss Velma Carpenter, Decatur, Rhome school.  
Miss Callie Cobb, Greenwood, Rush Creek school.  
Ada Claburn, Alvord, Perrin school.  
Miss Jewel Chappel, Decatur, Lone Mound school.  
Miss Gable Sue Carpenter, Decatur, Rhome school.  
Miss Alma Christian, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
Mrs. Hutt Crouch, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
Miss Irene Dorsey, Greenwood, Greenwood school.  
Miss Inez Derryberry, Decatur, Joe Bailey school.  
Miss Lola Dickinson, Chico, Park Springs school.  
C. H. Dillehay, Decatur, Supt. Decatur public school.  
Miss Lula Fulton, Alvord, Alvord school.  
Mrs. E. E. Flowers, Chico, Chico school.  
J. C. Fletcher, Decatur.  
Miss Frances Fullingim, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
Miss Bell Ford, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
Miss Magnolia Flowers, Chico, Valley View school.  
Miss Eva Gettys, Alvord, Alvord public school.  
Mrs. Wallace Gregg, Decatur, Sli-dell school.  
Miss Jewell Gillenwater, Newark, Newark school.  
W. A. Green, Paradise, Grub Hill school.  
W. V. Harrison, Boyd, Principal of Boyd school.  
Mrs. Charlie Harris, Boyd, Garvin school.  
Miss Ada Harding, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
Mrs. H. H. Hightower, Crafton, Valley View school.  
Miss Grace Hardiman, Justin, Rhome school.  
Miss Mary Harris, Decatur, Joe Bailey school.  
Miss Mamie Hughes, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
S. D. Handley, Rhome, Rhome school.  
Mrs. Tela K. Jones, Decatur, Sli-dell school.  
Miss Maud Lou Johnston, Decatur.  
A. S. Johnston, Bridgeport, Supt. Bridgeport school.  
Amy Keen, Crafton, Edgery school.  
Miss Ima Ruth Kelly, Springtown, Lucky Ridge school.  
Miss Lula Lee, Decatur, Blair school.  
J. T. Lybrand, Chico, Prairie Point school.  
Mrs. J. T. Lybrand, Chico, Prairie Point school.  
Miss Ruth Lovell, Rhome, Independence school.  
Miss Annie Manire, Decatur, Sweet water school.  
Miss Rena Morris, Bellevue, Decatur public school.  
Miss Lizzie Myers, Chico, Chico high school.  
Miss Helen Millar, Alvord, Audubon school.  
W. A. Morgan, Balsora, Balsora school.  
Frank P. Magers, Alvord, Supt. of Chico high school.  
Miss Alice Patterson, Paradise, Gravel Hill school.  
Miss Electra Pickett, Decatur, Alvord school.  
Miss Annie Plaxco, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
D. M. Ragle, Decatur, Anneville school.  
Lillian Rickman, Newark, Newark school.  
Mrs. Ethel Rike, Boyd, Boyd high school.

Andrew J. Richardson, Decatur, Preskitt school.  
Roy T. Magers, Alvord, Principal Chico high school.  
Gertrude Millar, Alvord, Audubon school.  
Edith Myers, Decatur, New South school.  
Miss Estelle Nobles, Decatur, Thomas school.  
A. M. Pleasant, Chico, Liberty school.  
Miss Effie Price, Paradise, Paradise school.  
Mrs. Amelia M. Atcheson, Greenwood.  
Miss Pearl Mitchum, Park Springs, Union Hill school.  
O. R. Chunn, Streetman, Decatur public school.  
Lillie Bridges, Paradise.  
Miss Ethel Jackson, Sunset, White Hill school.  
Miss Gladys Crawford, Thorp Spgs. Crafton school.  
Miss Tempie Blackwell, Boyd, Union chapel school.  
J. W. Montgomery, Paradise, Garrett Creek school.  
Miss Cora Shadle, Poolville.  
W. R. Finley, Paradise, Cottondale school.  
V. V. Johnston, Poolville.  
R. H. Hensbee, Alvord, Alvord high school.  
Miss Vonia Wilhite, Greenwood, White Hill school.  
Nora Worley, Boonsville, East Mound school.  
H. G. Woodruff, Paradise, Paradise school.  
Miss Bessie Zorns, Boyd, Boyd school.  
Miss Mamie Tibbits, Boonsville, Willow Point school.  
Thelma Trussell, Greenwood, the Splawn school.  
Ola Tinny, Bridgeport, Thomas school.  
Lura Wren, Boyd, Boyd school.  
Miss Iva Mae Walker, Decatur, Brumlow school.  
Miss Bertha Walker, Decatur, Catlett Creek school.  
Miss Claudie Mae Workman, Decatur, Decatur public school.  
W. A. Wren, Springtown, Opal.  
J. G. Siddons, Newark, Newark school.  
Mrs. J. G. Siddons, Newark, Newark school.  
Miss Bell Tibbits, Alvord, Alvord high school.  
Lucrétia Trammell, Boyd, Fairview school.  
Goldie Trussell, Boyd, Aurora public school.  
Opal Trussell, Boyd, Midway high school.  
B. C. Schulkey, Alvord, Alvord high school.  
Jewell Stewart, Boonsville, Boonsville high school.  
Esther Sanders, Boonsville, Garrett school.  
Mrs. B. C. Schulkey, Alvord, Alvord high school.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Alvord, Alvord high school.  
Miss Venezuela Saunders, Chico, Liles school.  
Mrs. Lillian Robinson, Alvord, school.  
Miss Rita Roberts, Decatur, Sweetwater school.  
L. O. Sparks, Greenwood, Greenwood high school.  
Esther Sparks, Paradise, Paradise school.  
Zula Stevenson, Alvord, Allison school.

The present state government of Texas is about as rotten as a state government could be, but we are not ready to desert the democratic party in the face of the present battle going on at Washington. It is a fight to the finish and it is a mistaken idea to quit while the battle rages.—Chico Review.

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### Citation by Publication

The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to summon Luther Garrett, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published there, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 43rd judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 43rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Wise county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Decatur, on the last Monday in November, A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of November, A. D. 1919, then there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of August, A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 4361, wherein Bessie Viola Garrett, is the plaintiff, and Luther Garrett is defendant, and said petition alleging that said Bessie Viola Garrett, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Luther Garrett, hereinafter called defendant, would respectfully show to the court that plaintiff has been a resident of the state of Texas for more than one year and a bona fide resident of Wise county, Texas, for more

than six months next prior to the filing of this petition and for cause of action the plaintiff avers that she and defendant were legally married in the aforesaid county and state on or about the 18th day of September, A. D. 1918, and as husband and wife lived together for but a short period of time, and that during the time they did live together as man and wife, the defendant mistreated and abused the plaintiff and conducted himself in an outrageous manner toward the plaintiff that he heaped indignities and cruelties upon her to her great harm, humiliation and disgrace, that by reason of said outrageous treatment she says their longer living together is insupportable.

Wherefore the plaintiff prays that the defendant be cited to appear and answer here as directed by law and that upon a final trial she have a judgement for divorce and that her maiden name of Bessie Briscoe be given to her and for costs of suit and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem equitable and just will ever pray.

said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. V. Cunningham, clerk of the district court of Wise county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Decatur, on this 18th day of August, A. D. 1919.—W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Clerk, District court, Wise County. St 12



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### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Any erroneous reflections upon the character, standing or reputation of any firm, person or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Messenger will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publishers.—Collins & Smith, Publishers.

Friday Morning, Sept. 5, 1919.

In spite of the knockers the oil boom is arriving.

The average life of a president of the United States is seventy years.

In stepping onto the ground floor, it has been suggested that the cellar be thoroughly explored.

There are more winsome school ma'ams in Wonderful Wise than there are get-rich-quick schemes in oildom.

When Senator Tom P. Gore stands by the administration, the people had better keep one eye peeled on the administration.

When all the little fellows get in the race for governor, that big man, Cato Sells of Cleburne, may upset all the dope by announcing for the office.

After seeing the bunch of county school ma'ams here this week attending the institute, we recalled that magnificent classic, "Backward, Turn Backward, Oh, Time in Your Flight."

The Bailey men doubt the wisdom of swallowing the Ferguson lead. If you take in Jim and his followers, Jim will want to be the ring-leader of the merger, and you fellows would look well following the Temple man. Shall Ferguson overshadow Bailey?

Windmill men say that a wind sixteen miles an hour may be expected for eight hours a day on the average for every day in the year. Not that such wind can be relied upon every day in the year. But the average wind all the year round will equal sixteen miles an hour for eight hours every day.

Owing to pressing business matters in Washington, the former senator and chief of one of the new parties, did not show up at the big meeting in Dallas Saturday. Mr. Bailey says he will return to Texas this week to remain until the fight is won. If this declaration is carried out, we are to have the gentleman with us for some time.

Now comes the report that there is to be two months of wet "spell" between the declaration of peace and the date for national prohibition to go into effect. Two months! Time aplenty to restock the cellar, set on an old-time high-lonesome, and repent. Time aplenty, we say it is. But think of the long, long dry spell following the shower!

Robert Lee Henry of Waco, has announced again for governor. Bob seems determined to let the people know he wants to run. Another Waco man, Neff, also wants to be governor. Waco has produced a number of candidates who figured prominently in the also ran column, but not one has been able to land a plum. Bob and Pat should remember one George Clark and one S. P. Brooks, and others.

The present commissioners' court of Wise county is one of the best courts this county has boasted in many years. The members of the body are men who stand first for the interests of the county, and they are constantly laboring to put Wonderful Wise in the front rank of progressive counties. In view of the fact that the present court came into possession of a depleted treasury, when it took the reins, the work accomplished has been gratifying indeed.

Rents are soaring in Decatur; the highest ever asked in the history of the town. All houses are occupied, and a number of renters are scrambling to purchase property, believing the boom will drive rentals high "as a cat's back." Now is the time to purchase homes; during the next five years, to quote Mr. Floyd, one of the most progressive citizens in his section of the state, "Decatur is due an era of prosperity, the like of which she has not experienced, and you may look for property to take a tremendous boost."

### LIFE'S SCARS

The choicest garb, the sweetest grace  
Are oft to strangers shown;  
The careless mien, the frowning face  
Are given to our own.

We flatter those we scarcely know;  
We please the fleeing guest;  
And deal many a thoughtless blow  
To those who love us best.

Love does not grow on every tree,  
Nor true hearts yearly bloom;  
Alas for those who only see  
This cut across a tomb.

But soon or late the fact grows plain  
To all, through sorrow's test;  
The only ones who give us pain  
Are those we love the best.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

It is said that it takes us just about ten minutes to discover the same faults in others that we can't discover in ourselves in a lifetime.

If you are superstitious about 13 being unlucky, you must not carry one of the old quarter-dollar pieces, says the Office Dog in Ladies' Home Journal. You'll find 13 letters in the word "quarter dollar." The eagle on it has 13 feathers in his tail and 13 long feathers in each wing. He has 13 arrows in his left claw, and there are 13 leaves in the branch in his right. The ribbon in his beak has 13 letters on it, and the shield has 13 vertical bars. There are 13 bars over his head and 13 stars on the other side.

It is rumored, aye, reported, that two Wise county gentlemen and scholars will aspire for state senatorial honors. The gentlemen and scholars are Mr. Guinn Williams and Mr. J. W. Walker. Be it remembered that, according to custom of rotating with the plum, the next senator is to come from the Wonderful County. Montague and Denton have named senators since a noble son of Wise wore the toga; hence, the next senator-statesman shall spring from the banner county of the district. If there are issues they will be discussed profusely by the candidates, and the people are promised their money's worth.

The citizens of Decatur, several months ago, elected that sidewalk be put down. The question was voted on, and the majority for the sidewalk building was beautifully substantial. The first spade-full of cement toward building the walks is yet to be put down. Who is opposed to starting the work, and what pressure is being brought to bear to head-off the expressed will of a majority of the tax-paying citizens of this good town? The citizens are getting restless. Messrs. Councilmen: honest, they are.

### ALEX SAYS: "GOODBYE JIM"

The man who turns against his government now, after backing up the boys to win the victory, is little better than the man who deserts in face of the enemy. President Wilson is going through the tortures of politicians trying to get some party advantage. Every patriotic American will stand by the president.—Chico evilRw.

"Every patriotic American will stand by the president!" Why, Alec! But we are elated to know you have elected to stand behind President Wilson instead of following James and Joseph in their condemnation of the president. We have always believed there was some good left in your political hide.

### A FEW QUESTIONS.

An irate subscriber writes to the Review this week, with blood in his eye, and no signature to his communication. He wanted us to ask the learned editor of the Wise County Messenger, if the organization in Decatur is a "Legion of Honor" or a legion to promote the interests of some political outcast! Why are all the officers in the organization Decatur men! Did Wise county boys out of Decatur, serve in the army

over there? Are there not numbers of the 90th division in Wise county who saw more service than that outfit in Decatur? Did Chico, Bridgeport, Paradise, Rhome and other towns send boys over there? Why were they not recognized in that organization? There are many other questions the irate subscriber would have us ask. We were not aware that Decatur had organized a Legion of any kind.—Chico Review.

Dear, sweet Alec, tell your irate reader and subscriber to keep cool; that it is dangerous at this time of the year to become irritated; the heat is something awful, and awful heat and irritation can produce something that will confuse a learned student of mental diseases. Institutions at Austin and Terrell, so press reports say, are over-run with patients, and we have it from authority absolutely reliable that a brutal majority of the inmates are suffering from disordered bowels and disheveled brains, caused by swallowing rank "bull" and imagining impossible things during the heated term. You get us, Alec. We are endeavoring to convey the gentle hint that your irritated subscriber is bordering on bug-house, which is an unmistakable symptom of nuttiness. During the lucid periods the victim may be told: A Legion of Honor has been organized in Decatur for the purpose of bringing all the boys in Wise county who wore Uncle Sam's uniform, khaki, blue or white, together in an organization for mutual pleasure and benefit. There is no political significance attached to the organization in Decatur; Legions are being organized throughout the state and nation. If all the officers in the Wise county Legion are Decatur men, what of it? Decatur men organized the post, and they had a right to say who should be officers. Are they not equipped for the positions? Could the towns of Paradise, Chico, Bridgeport, Rhome, produce material superior for officers? True, the 90th division boys saw more hard service than the boys of the 36th, but the Panther Division boys were just as brave; the 90th boys had more opportunities, that's all! Don't make a distinction; it's wrong to do so. The boy who "trimmed the lamps" at Sam Houston fort under orders, is as much a hero as the boy who trimmed Germans in France. Had he been called to the front the "lamp trimmer" would have performed as a trimmer of Germans. Americans, all, and every mother's son a hero. Why, Alec, during our service in the Spanish-American war we didn't see half a dozen hostile Spandiards; yet, when grim visaged war shook the wrinkles from his front we were happy in the knowledge of having done our best, and not a boy in Cuba or the Philippines had a thing on us in patriotism. We felt as big as Shafter and an important as Teddy. Member us to your irate subscriber, Alec.

### KILLING A TOWN

An exchange prints the following receipt for killing a town:

"Under-rate every present and prospective enterprise, speak ill of the churches and schools; enlarge the vices of the peoples; withhold patronage from your merchants and tradesmen, and buy your goods and groceries at some other place; never subscribe or support your local papers, and if you are in business never spend a penny for advertising."

If a man wants mending done in China, he never has to go very far, for there are needle women seated along the street ready to sew and mend. Sometimes these workers sit on low stools and sometimes on the sidewalks, but there they sit sewing away hard, for they never are short of patrons. These women are generally the wives of fishermen or boatmen and are glad to get the little "odds and ends" of work to help increase the family income.

### Luke McLuke Says

Some men never pay anybody because they feel that they owe themselves so much.

Any boob can make a woman talk. But it takes a smart man to make her say what he wants her to say.

When a man is listening intently to you he is merely waiting for you to run out so he can start in.

And what has become of the o. f. man who used to go out between the acts to see a man?

There is a good deal of blessing attached to the divorce evil. Sometimes a man gets so he regards matrimony as a bargain.

Another good bet is that the cost of living will never get so high that most men won't think it is worth it.

One thing we like about a man is that if his wife would let him alone, he would rather stay at home than go visiting his friends.

The trouble with most of us is that when we start saving up for a

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# NOTICE

Owing to the urgent appeal from both City and Country customers, we find it absolutely necessary to resume our Delivery Service. Non-delivery makes it impossible for us to handle the farmers' produce. Produce is perishable goods and must reach the consumer quickly and in perfect condition.

When we hurt our good farmer friends we injure the very best interest of our good country, as we must look to our farmer friend for so much, since they feed and clothe us. We cannot ignore or neglect their interests, for their interests are ours.

NOW IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR AGREEMENT NOT TO DELIVER ANY MORE GROCERIES TO THE CITY TRADE ON AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 1919, WITHOUT GIVING DUE NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, WE WILL ON AND AFTER TEN DAYS FROM THIS DATE, SEPTEMBER 5, 1919, PUT ON DELIVERY SERVICE, KINDLY INVITING OUR GOOD GROCERY FRIENDS TO JOIN US IN GIVING TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF OUR PROSPEROUS LITTLE CITY THE BEST DELIVERY SERVICE OBTAINABLE.

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She may not believe it. But it is impossible for a girl to eat corn on the cob and look like a Madonna at the same time.

There was a time when a man owned his wife. But nowadays the best he can do is get an option on her for a few years.

There is an old saying about laugh and grow fat. But we know a lot of grouches who are not so blame thin.

It won't do a man a bit of good to look like Lincoln unless he possesses a brain like Lincoln.

And what has become of the o. f. Be sure to see Chas. Chaplin at man what couldn't possibly get along the Majestic on next Thursday night. without a bottle of hair oil? You can't afford to miss it.



## Former Decatur Man Recalls Experiences

Floyd Helm of New Castle: "The Messenger is my old favorite newspaper and since moving to New Castle, I appreciate it more than ever before. It is the best-edited paper coming into our home, and every member of my family delights in reading it. I understand since visiting here that the Messenger continues to be the popular paper on the routes out of Decatur, and this recalls my experiences when I carried the mail on one of the routes. When my subscribers would miss their Messenger, they didn't fail to speak out in meeting. I learn that all the carriers are still carrying more Messengers than all other papers combined." Floyd, better known as "Shorty," was one of the most accommodating carriers out of Decatur, his work being at all times satisfactory to his patrons. Several months ago he moved to New Castle to engage in business with his brother, Rufus.

### NOTICE

I have the exclusive agency for the Henry Walker farm, 8 miles northeast of Decatur. 460 acres, 230 in Black creek bottom; famous seed corn farm; never makes failures; the best buy in Wise county. T. L. BALL, Decatur, Texas.

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## Mrs. J. C. Lewis Dies on Birthday

Mrs. Jennie, wife of J. C. Lewis, died at the home of her son, Claud, in this city last Sunday, after an illness of several months. While Mrs. Lewis was critically ill, her death was unexpected when it came, as she had been conversing with her children a few minutes before her death, saying she felt better. The funeral was held at the home of C. C. Lewis on Monday afternoon, conducted by Revs. Lutan and Shettlesworth, and attended by many friends of the family. Interment occurred at the city cemetery.

Mrs. Lewis was buried on her birthday. On the day of her death her children had brought her a beautiful bouquet of roses for her birthday, but the flowers were given Mrs. Lewis as soon as they arrived. She was greatly pleased by the gift of flowers, and expressed her appreciation of the love of her children. Ten minutes after she received the flowers, she passed away.

Mrs. Jennie Lewis was born in Alabama on September 1, 1857. She moved with her husband and children to Decatur thirty-nine years ago, where they resided for over thirty years. For the past few years, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have lived at Gainesville. Mrs. Lewis was a splendid Christian character. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, and her life has been one of devotion and self-sacrifice to her family and her fellow-man. She suffered much during her last years, but she has now gone to the realm where she has gained the reward of joy and peace. She is survived by her husband and four children, C. C. Lewis of Decatur; Gus Lewis of Altus, Okla.; William Lewis of Dallas, and Mrs. Fannie Helm of New Castle, all of whom were with their mother when she passed away.

## Decatur Boy Cited by French General

Grand Quarter General Des Armes Francaises de l'Est. Etat-Major. Bureau du Personnel Decorations

Ordre No. 15,371 "D" (Extrait) Apres approbation du General Commandant en Chef les Forces Expeditionnaires Americaines en France, le Marechal de France, Commandant en Chef les Armes Francaises de l'Est cite a l'Ordre de la Division: Caporal Loyd W. Smith, Mle 1,484,596, Compagnie "L" du 142<sup>e</sup> Regiment d'Infanterie Americain.

"A fait preuve d'un heroisme extraordinaire dans des combats pres de St. Etienne, les 8-10 Octobre, 1918. En depit d'un violent tir d'artillerie et de mitrailleuses, a effectue une avance continue contribuant au succes de son unite."

Au Grand Quartier General, le 4 Avril, 1919. Le Marechal de France Commandant en Chef les Armes Francaises de l'Est. PETAIN. Pour Extrait Conforme: Le Lieutenant-Colonel, Chef du Bureau du Personnel, ALLEMAN.

Translation: General Headquarters of the French Armies of the East. Staff. Personnel Bureau (Decorations.)

Order No. 15,371 "D" (Extrait) With the approbation of the Commander in Chief of the American Expeditionary Forces in France, the Marshal of France, Commander in Chief of the French Armies of the East, cites in the order of the division:

"Corporal Loyd W. Smith, No. 1,484,596, Company L, American Infantry displayed extraordinary heroism in engagements near St. Etienne, October 8 to 10, 1918. In spite of heavy artillery and machine gun fire, he succeeded in effecting a continuous advance, thereby contributing to the success of his unit."

At general headquarters, the Marshal of France, Commander of the armies of the east. PETAIN.

For original extract: The Lieutenant-Colonel, Chief of Personnel Bureau. (Signed) ALLEMAN.

## Alvord Man Brings First Bale of Cotton

Tom Faith of Alvord, brought in Decatur first bale of cotton Wednesday. It was bought by Helm, Ward & Dillehay for 31.25c, bringing him \$163.96. A premium of \$39.25 was given Mr. Faith by the business men of Decatur. Mr. Faith also had 1000 pounds of seed from the bales which he can sell at over \$90.00 a ton.

Chas. Chaplin at the Majestic next Thursday night.

## Decatur College Opens Wednesday

Decatur Baptist college will open its twenty-eighth year on next Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. The citizens of Decatur and Wise county are invited to be present at the formal opening exercises which will be held in the chapel. Prospects indicate that there will be the largest attendance that the institution has ever had. Practically all the rooms in both dormitories have been reserved for several weeks.

The faculty for this next session is: J. Lawrence Ward, A. M.—President and Professor of education.

William M. Hughes, A. B.—Dean and professor in mathematics.

Embry M. Gettys, A. M.—Registrar and professor of history.

Bernice Ruth Neel, A. M.—Professor in English.

Dora Ella Watson, A. M.—Professor of romance languages.

Clara Gettys, A. B.—Instructor in Latin and Matron of Ward hall.

Emily Jo Pipkin—Director of the school of music.

Nellie Bly Smith—Instructor in expression.

On Friday night, September 12, at the First Baptist church, the Baptists of Decatur will tender a reception to the students of the college. Guests will be received beginning at eight o'clock, and the program will begin at 8:30 o'clock. All graduates of Decatur college, all students of the institution, and the friends of the school are invited to be present.

## Christian Revival Is Drawing Big Crowds

Large crowds have been attending the revival at the Christian church the past week, and interest has been growing from the first day. Evangelist Shettlesworth is a practical preacher who commands and holds your attention while he tells in a most convincing way of the story of the world's greatest redemption from sin. If you have not heard him, you are missing a real treat. Services are being held at the church on Lang street both morning and night, and will continue through next week.

### NOTICE H. P. NO. 1 MEMBERS

The office of the Wise county home Protective Association No. 1 has been moved to the west side of the square in the office building just south of the Majestic picture show. Call here to transact any business with the secretary. JIM BELEW, Secretary.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Well, the contest in the Sunday school, which ran through July and August, was quite a success in many ways. The attendance reached and maintained went beyond that of any previous year, new members were enlisted, the treasury replenished and a greater enthusiasm created in the Sunday school. Last Sunday there were 236 present, and the missionary offering amounted to seventy dollars. In the whole contest, the Reds made 12,253 points, and the Blues 15,081 points, which put the Blues in the lead 2,828 points. Supt. Gose, Captain Brumley, Captain Freeman and those co-operating with them, are due credit for the splendid success of this undertaking. Let the booster spirit have a larger place in the hearts of both Reds and Blues! On next Sunday morning the list of those on the honor roll will be displayed, and some little present given by the school to each and every one thereon. More than two hundred should be present.

By the time this is in print, the pastor expects to be in Hagerman, New Mexico, assisting Rev. H. W. Carter in a meeting. Hence, he will not be present next Sunday. The pulpit, however, will be filled by one of our honored superannuates, and that means that a message worth while will be delivered. As there will be preaching at two other churches at night, there will be no service at the Methodist church at the evening hour.

Attention! On account of the Wise county fair, it has been decided to move the date of our protracted meeting two days, which means that it will begin on Friday night, Sept. 12. Bro. Tittle, our helper, is expected to be here at that time, and all are urged to work and pray to the end that these ten days of special effort may result in the reviving of the church, and in the salvation of sinners. Mark Sept. 12-21 on your calendar, and let's make them red letter days. Yours for a great meeting,

J. P. LUTON, Pastor.

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## MEETING AT TABERNACLE

Methodists Planning to Hold Revival Services for Ten Days in September.

Everything is being gotten ready for the revival services to be held at the Methodist tabernacle. It has been difficult to work out the schedule, we are told, but the plans are being perfected now to begin on Friday night, September 12, running for ten days.



REV. W. L. TITTLE, Evangelist

A man who practiced law in Texas for years, and who, at the time he was called to preach, was county attorney over in East Texas, has been secured as leader in this evangelistic campaign. His name, as given in these columns before, is Rev. W. L. Tittle. He has climbed fast in the work of the ministry, and is said to be considered one of the best all-round men in the North Texas conference. We are informed that Bro. Tittle will be here from the first service on Friday night, September 12, to the closing service on the night of September 21.

Mr. Matt Huddleston of this city, will have charge of the singing during the meetings. Mr. Huddleston is an experienced singer with a wonderful voice, and under his leadership the music will be one of the enjoyable features of the meetings. All the singers of the town are urged to co-operate in making the music a success.

The following committee has been named to get the tabernacle in good shape: Lights, L. L. Hoyl; seats, J. H. Lynch; straw, W. E. Pritchett; piano, Fred Feedman.

The Methodist pastor desires that publicity be given to the fact that all are invited and earnestly urged to attend these services from time to time. The singers of the different churches will be most welcome on the platform. The hours for the services will probably be 10:30 a. m. and 8:45 p. m.

## Brazilian Fire-Fly Caught by Decaturite

While rumaging around down in Parker county recently, E. Paul Harding of this city, made a wonderful discovery. Not that he had not made previous discoveries in Parker county, for he was sitting on the front porch of one of his previous discoveries when he saw the bright light on this occasion. Paul was reclining in an easy porch rocker and contemplating, no doubt, upon the fact that all the joy had not been taken out of life, and maybe, was considering that immortal line handed out by Browning, in effect that "God's in His heaven; all's right with the world," when suddenly there appeared upon his range of vision a flying monster with two eyes of fire. Around and around it flew, and finally came within reach, when Paul reached out and captured the insect. It proved to be a Brazilian fire-fly, an insect three times as large as a lightning bug, with an electric light that never went out just behind each eye. Paul brought the unusual specimen home with him and has since been using it for a flash-light, as the light thrown from the lamps of the insect is very strong, and glow with a power much stronger than would be a hundred-watt electric light of the same size.

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## SYCAMORE NEWS

Berlia Austin, Miss Ena Weatherby, Harold Weatherby and Fred Earls left for Oklahoma last Saturday to attend the fair.

Mrs. J. W. Driskell's daughter-in-law of Alex, Okla., is visiting here this week.

A. J. Green and family spent Sunday with Bill McNealy and family.

Mrs. Gabbert, mother of Mrs. T. E. Green, aged 83, died Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. She was buried at the Sycamore cemetery Monday morning at 11:30. Rev. W. H. Heathington, preaching the funeral service.

## THE GREAT QUESTION OF WHEAT-HANDLING SOLVED

There is now at Galveston, Texas, more than ten million bushels of wheat waiting for ships to take it over to the European countries, and the great wheat crop of Texas has only started to move, as we have made in round number, 35,000,000 bushels of wheat. The ships promised for Galveston in the next month will only lift something over 1,500,000 bushels of wheat and this will still leave this great port blocked for maybe months.

If you are vitally interested in helping solve the great question of handling and relieving the congestion of wheat in time for our next big crops, viz: cotton and corn, you should ask your grocer for "Pride of Texas" flour, because a bushel of wheat ground into flour and sold at home, from home-grown wheat, means one bushel of wheat more that the railroads will not have to haul to some congested terminal.

"Pride of Texas" flour is sold at \$1.00 per barrel less than flour manufactured in some other town, and as this good flour will bake anything from ginger bread to the finest of angel food cake, you will have done a great good to your farmer friends as well as help to reduce the high cost of living, and thus cut profiteers' chance to the minimum.

Won't you call for "Pride of Texas" your next trip to town, or, better still, phone the mill to deliver it to your door.

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## FRENCH GOVERNMENT AWARDS MEDAL TO WORLD WAR HERO

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Finley of Cot-tondale, are in receipt of a Croix de Guerre, awarded their son, Corporal Lee S. Finley, for bravery in action at the battle of St. Etienne in France, in which action Corporal Finley lost his life on October 8th, 1918. Corporal Finley was a member of Captain Lillard's Company L, 142nd Infantry, and he volunteered for service when the company was organized in Decatur. Captain Lillard states that Finley was indeed a good soldier and a brave one, and that the honor bestowed by the French government was justly deserved.

## WISE COUNTY FAIR

To all who are interested in the success of the Wise county fair:

Begin to get your displays and livestock ready, send for catalogue.

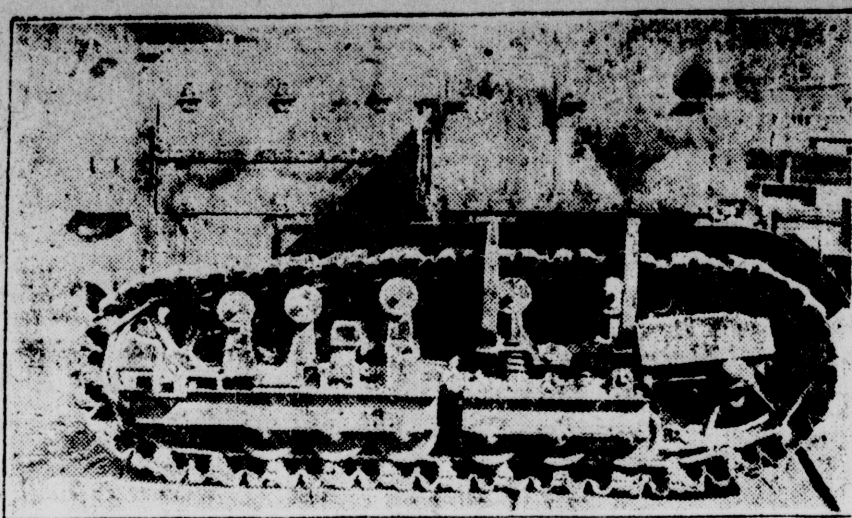
Premium list longer and better than ever before. Read your catalogue and loan it to your neighbor if they have failed to get one.

This year will witness many new innovations, and a new spirit of co-operation will pervade. We are counting on you as a representative citizen. We ask that you interest yourself and others. Let his be a real peace jubilee. Tell everyone of the big free barbecue in honor of our splendid soldiers and sailors. Make this a real vacation—you owe it to yourself and your families to do this. More interest than ever before is being manifested in their various departments.

The fair is now being operated for the educational, agricultural and live stock interest of this county. Be a booster, help us to demonstrate the wonders and various resources of your home county.

Yours for a new and better fair,  
E. T. KEMP, Farm Dem. Agent.  
L. H. REEVES, Pres. Fair As.  
S. T. LILLARD, Sec. Fair As.

Since the country has gone dry, there has been a scramble for the creeks by many of our erstwhile thirsty citizens in order to garner in the big crop of grapes. This week Presiding Elder Stuckey chaperoned a party to a nearby creek and a big harvest of grapes was gathered for the purpose of making "grape-juice." Lem Hoyl was in the party, and while this 240-lb. gentleman was in a tall tree pulling grapes, a limb on which he was reclining, gave way and Lem fell to the bank and rolled to the bottom of the creek. No serious injury resulted, however, and Mr. Hoyl picked himself up and resumed his search for the makings of Billy Bryan's special.



## Monster Tanks and Tractor-Artillery at Dallas

U. S. WAR AND NAVY DEPARTMENTS WILL HAVE VARIED EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS AT VICTORY FAIR

The United States War Department will exhibit a comprehensive display of the modern, scientific implements of warfare at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October.

These articles have just been received in America and have not been exhibited before.

Much of this material was captured on the battlefields of France, while other things are those supplied to American troops.

Among the equipment of American soldiers will be shown: field gun and mount, trench mortar, aircraft gun, hand and rifle grenades, drop bombs, live carrier pigeons, infantry equipment, and many other things.

The Navy and Marine Corps will also exhibit many interesting articles. This exhibit is in addition to the special exhibit of monster (35 ton) Tanks, Anti-aircraft Guns, and Tractor-Artillery.

## VERY BEAUTIFUL DISPLAYS IN ART AND TEXTILE

THIS DEPARTMENT OF VICTORY FAIR AT DALLAS PROMISES SPLENDID EXHIBITS

The Art and Textile Departments will display perfectly beautiful exhibits at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October, according to report just made by the Superintendent, Mrs. Fannie T. Howard, to W. H. Stratton, Secretary State Fair of Texas.

Liberal cash premiums are offered and entries are coming in rapidly. The facilities for displaying these beautiful things have been improved. The textile and china cases repainted. The art cases newly decorated. Electric lights inside the show cases will display the exhibits to best advantage on dark or rainy days.

An entirely new feature this year will be the collection of war relics. The classification of Basketry offers good cash premiums.

The Culinary Department offers many cash premiums for breads, cakes, jellies and preserves, canned fruits and vegetables, candies, pickles and other delicacies. Competition is open to all amateurs.

The embroidery, lace work, knitting and crochet, quilts, plain and fancy sewing are open to the world. A special classification covers old ladies' work. In Decorative Art many cash premiums are offered for painted china, pottery, glass and metal. Classifications for both amateurs and professionals.

The following departments are open only to the school children of Texas and exhibits must have been produced by the boys and girls: General Display of Manual Art, Drawings, Decorative Art, Plain and Fancy Sewing, Arts and Crafts, Fine Arts, and Domestic Science. Liberal cash premiums are offered.

All schools and teachers who have not yet reserved space, should do so at once. All entries in other departments should be made now. Write Mrs. Fannie T. Howard, Supt., care of State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas.

## \$4,000.00 IS OFFERED TO SHEEP AND GOAT RAISERS

VARIOUS NATIONAL BREEDERS' ASSOCIATIONS OFFER MANY SPECIAL PREMIUMS

Sheep and Goat Raisers will be given a total of \$4,000.00 at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October. There are also numerous special premiums in this department, including those of Swift & Company, who offer \$125.00 to be divided between fine wool breeds and mutton breeds, and allowing \$25.00 for the Grand Champion wether in the Sweepstakes.

For the first time, this year cash premiums are offered by the American Cotswold Registry Association for Leicester, Karakul, and Karalines.

There are still large areas in Texas suitable for sheep raising which these premiums are intended to encourage. When it is realized that the people of the United States consume an average of only six pounds of lamb, as against eighty pounds of pork, and seventy-seven pounds of beef, it will be obvious that a large opportunity exists for raising mutton and lamb, especially if the quality and flavor be improved. This, experts say, can be done by proper care and feeding.

The American Shropshire Registry Association, American Hampshire Sheep Association, American Oxford Down Record Association, American Angora Goat Breeders' Association, and J. V. Hardy, of Dallas, also offer special premiums.

## POULTRY SHOW AT VICTORY FAIR BEST SELLING EVENT

\$2,500.00 IN PREMIUMS ATTRACTS POULTRYMEN FROM EVERYWHERE, WHO CAN SELL MANY BIRDS

The Poultry and Pet Stock Show will be given greater prominence than ever at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October. Walter Burton, Arlington, Texas, Superintendent, says that reservations for coops are coming in daily.

\$2,500.00 in cash premiums are offered for Poultry. Poultrymen can make good money by exhibiting at the Victory Fair. The Judges will be E. C. Branch, Lee's Summit, Mo.; G. D. McClaskey, Kansas City, and James Tucker, Royal Oak, Mich.

The Texas Barred Rock Club and other clubs will meet at this time at the Victory Fair.

The general arrangement, lighting facilities and hygienic accommodations for the birds, are very gratifying to poultrymen everywhere. The 1917 show was a big success. The exhibits ranked high in number and quality, and many prominent breeders were represented.

Being held ten days earlier this year, the show comes at a time when both farmers and fanciers have money to buy birds, and many fine ones are sold at the Dallas show. The Dallas dates, Oct. 6th to 19th do not conflict with other shows, but enable breeders to advertise their winnings this fall when birds command the highest prices. The Victory Fair Poultry Show will be the biggest selling event in the country this fall.

The Pigeon Display will also be the very best yet. The splendid part played by carrier pigeons in the war has endeared them to both breeders and the public generally. A larger number of pigeon entries than ever before, and a greater variety of fine breeds, will be represented at the Victory Fair Pigeon Show, than ever before. Cash premiums and ribbons are offered.

## AGRICULTURAL SHOW WILL BE A "GARDEN OF EDEN"

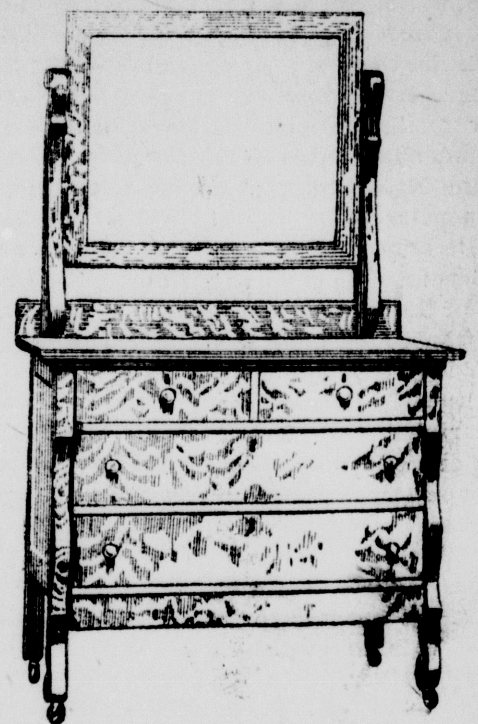
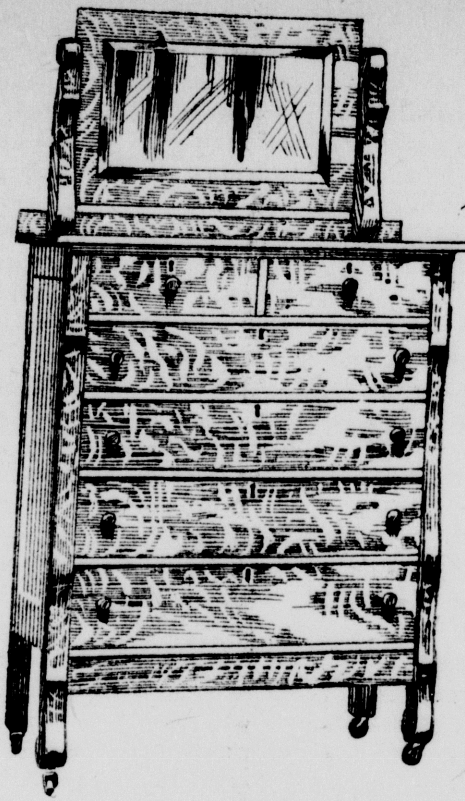
\$10,000 IN PREMIUMS FOR COUNTY AND INDIVIDUAL FARM EXHIBITS

Prospects for an Agricultural Show that will be the best ever held in Texas are most encouraging, according to President Jno. N. Simpson, of the State Fair of Texas, in speaking of the Victory Fair, to be held in Dallas in October.

From all sections of the State space reservations have been made for individual exhibits that will be made in great variety and in superior quality. \$10,000.00 in cash premiums are offered—\$5,000.00 each for County and Individual farm exhibits. Many choice specimens of cotton, grain, fruit, berries, vegetables, etc., will be shown.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, the Panhandle-Plains Counties, Rio Grande Counties, and counties in East, North, Central and South Texas, will all make splendid displays of the products of the farm, the orchard, the garden, and the ranch.

The \$500.00 special premiums offered by Dallas Cotton Exchange for best bale of 1919 Texas cotton; and the \$300.00 special premiums offered by Texas Land & Mortgage Company, are proving excellent magnets. The agricultural and horticultural displays at the Victory Fair will form a veritable "Garden of Eden" on Texas soil.



We are just unloading a car of New Bed Room, Living Room, Library, Dining Room and Kitchen Furniture.

Figure your bills at home before you order—You can see the goods, the finish, design, and quality—No freight to pay, no damage in shipping, and taking all these items into consideration, we can save you money.

## MAN & CHRISTIAN

—MASONIC BUILDING—

## ALASKA CARES FOR PIONEERS

Territory Provides Home in Former Naval Barracks for Aged Trail Blazers.

Sitka, Alaska.—Alaska's aged and disabled pioneers—men who helped blaze the first trails across the golden northland—always seeking but seldom finding their elusive Eldorado—are cared for at the Alaska Pioneers' home at Sitka, the first capital of the territory. At present there are 65 old "sourdoughs" at the home.

Gov. Thomas Riggs, Jr., of Alaska recently spent several days inspecting the home. He took several meals with the men and talked with both the pioneers and employees.

Buildings used by the home were barracks occupied by the United States marines before 1911. In 1913 the buildings were turned over by the navy department to the department of the Interior.

## Expert Barbers...

Will Greet You At The

W. C. Owen

TONSorial PARLORS

North Trinity Street.

Notice by Publication

The state of Texas, county of Wise. The state of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in the Wise County Messenger, a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, at least once a week for ten consecutive days before the return day hereof, the following notice:

The state of Texas. To all persons interested in the welfare of Brooks Boyd, a minor, Mrs. Lottie Boyd was by the county clerk of Wise county, Texas, on the 18th day of July, 1919, duly appointed temporary guardian of the estate of said minor, which appointment will be made permanent, unless the same shall be successfully contested at the next term of said court, which said proceeding will be heard by said court on the 6th day of October, 1919, at

## I'm After the Storekeepers!



Mostly my business is with the farmers. But this week I'm after every storekeeper in this county. I want one dollar from every one of them—for a year's subscription for

## The COUNTRY GENTLEMAN

Why? Because in the very first issue that you'll get, if you hustle your dollar right over to me, there is the beginning of a series of articles called Big Country Merchants.

There will be ten of these articles, telling how ten men in ten towns succeeded in making themselves known as the biggest country merchants. There's no secret of their success that isn't open to every storekeeper in this country. Don't you want to get into their class? Don't you want increased farmers' business?

Of course, this article is only part of all the help in the September 13th issue—there are a lot of other articles and stories about farmers and farming for storekeepers and for farmers, for gardeners and orchardists and poultrymen. And yet 52 big vital issues cost only one dollar, about two cents apiece! Why "hold out"?

Order — Through Me — Today

## SANDERS & INGRAM

Both Phones 206 — Decatur

The Country Gentleman 52 issues—\$1.00 The Ladies' Home Journal 12 issues—\$1.75 The Saturday Evening Post 52 issues—\$2.00

the court house of said county, in Decatur, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said proceeding, should they decide to do so. Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof this writ your return thereon, showing you have executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal at Decatur, Texas, this 25th day of August, 1919.—CARL FAITH, Clerk County Court, Wise County, Texas. (Sept. 5)



# LOCAL AND PERSONAL

## NEW F. W. & D. TIME TABLE

### North Bound

| Leave       | Arrive   | Arrive   |
|-------------|----------|----------|
| Fort Worth  | Decatur  | W. Falls |
| *3—9:40 am  | 11:17 am | 2:00 pm  |
| *5—6:00 pm  | 7:38 pm  | 10:30 pm |
| *7—10:25 pm | 12:02 am | 2:50 am  |

### South Bound

| Leave      | Arrive  | Arrive     |
|------------|---------|------------|
| W. Falls   | Decatur | Fort Worth |
| *8—2:50 am | 5:40 am | 7:15 am    |
| *6—6:30 am | 9:25 am | 11:00 am   |
| *4—2:30 pm | 5:07 pm | 6:45 pm    |

Nos. 7 and 8 run between Fort Worth and Denver; Nos. 3 and 4 run between Fort Worth and Amarillo; Nos. 5 and 6 run between Fort Worth and Wichita Falls.

Walter Stokes was in Fort Worth Monday.

Jack Scott was here Sunday from Cleburne.

Earl McCowen left Tuesday for a stay in Duncan, Okla.

Bill McDaniel was here this week from Breckenridge.

Marvin Drake was here Tuesday from Slidell.

Tom Laird has returned from a stay in Canada.

Mrs. H. E. Brady has been visiting in Pipe Creek.

Mrs. T. J. Dillehay is visiting in Fort Worth.

Dr. J. P. Turner was here from Slidell Tuesday.

Overton Neel of Quannah, was here this week.

Alma Gilliland was here the past week from Navasota.

C. E. Martin was here this week from Breckenridge.

Capt. H. E. Brady visited his family here last week.

Conley Rush was here yesterday from Wichita Falls.

Rev. Ross A. Smith was here yesterday from Venus.

Joe Wilhite of the Dan community, was here Tuesday.

W. A. Bunnell was in Fort Worth on business Tuesday.

Rev. M. H. Tolbert was here yesterday from Ryan, Okla.

Cal McCurdy and family spent Monday in Fort Worth.

Jim B. Thomas of Alvord was in the city Monday on business.

Jim Smyth of Fort Worth, was here with relatives Tuesday.

Miss Bess Coleman has returned from a visit to Shreveport, La.

Julian Dreese of Dallas, visited the family of Sam Taggart this week.

Frank Alexander has returned from a stay in Mineola, Kansas.

Mrs. L. H. Reeves and daughter were in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Helm spent Wednesday night in Bridgeport.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cartwright are this week moving to Fort Worth.

Mrs. Seymour Mount of Ada, Ok., is the guest of Mrs. Will Helm.

Mrs. R. H. Whittaker has returned, after a visit to East Texas points.

J. H. Rowan and Henry Troxell were here from Rhome Wednesday.

A car load of new furniture has just arrived at Man & Christian.

Mrs. A. L. Thomas and daughters of Ennis, are visiting Mrs. W. W. Williams.

Dr. W. E. Redford and daughter, Miss Beila, were here from Boyd Tuesday.

Miss Marion Armstrong of Sunset, has this week been the guest of Miss Ida Hasty.

My fall and winter line of hats is complete. Call and see them. Mrs. E. B. Melton.

Rev. J. H. Burns has gone to Archer county, to assist in a revival meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. Dodson of Sanger, have been the guests of their son, C. Dodson.

Mrs. John A. Simmons visited friends and relatives in Fort Worth this week.

Lieut. and Mrs. Theodore Harris of Taliaferro field, were guests of Mrs. Guinn Williams.

Miss Louise Jarrett of Fort Worth, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. A. Lillard, Jr.

Prof. Harley Burton left yesterday for Clarendon, where he goes to teach in the Clarendon college.

Edwin Chambers of the Chambers ranch, has moved with his family to Denton for the school term.

A car load of new furniture has just arrived at Man & Christian.

Mrs. James Riddle and Miss Leslie McDaniel have returned from a stay in Glen Rose.

Mrs. E. J. Reedy visited her daughter, Mrs. Carl Bowen, in Dallas, last Friday.

Aubrey Foster was here last Friday and Saturday from Vernon, visiting old friends.

H. E. Lobdell and family have moved to the Donald place, north west Decatur.

Dr. John Embry returned Monday from a Fort Worth sanitarium. He is improving rapidly.

It is reported that Contractor Hammer is having gravel put on the Meridian road south of Rhome.

Misses Ulla Taylor and Nettie McCormack spent Wednesday night at Miss Taylor's home in Paradise.

Mrs. Eddie Lillard of Bowie, is visiting her father and uncle, Drs. Jim and John Embry.

My hemstitching machine is doing beautiful work. All work guaranteed. Mrs. E. B. Melton.

Hugh Greer and wife have returned from an extended visit with relatives and friends in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hambright have returned to their home in Whitesboro, after a visit here.

A. F. McCormack and family and Curtis Wilkerson and family spent Saturday night at Lake Worth.

Miss Cora Worley of Boonsville, has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Ben Watkins, the past few days.

The Wise county fair catalogues will be off the press in about one week, when they will be distributed.

H. W. Barton and family left Friday for Haskell, to visit Mrs. Barton's father, Jim Perrin, who is critically ill.

Walter Ganaway of Washington, D. C., is here on a visit. Walter is with the government motion picture laboratory.

The Messenger will give to the first person bringing in a copy of the Messenger of July 11, 1919, the sum of 50c.

Pastor Luton of the Methodist church left Tuesday for Hagerman, New Mexico, where he will assist in a revival.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Helm returned to New Castle Monday. They were accompanied home by Misses Thelma and Katherine Lewis.

A car load of new furniture has just arrived at Man & Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lewis left Wednesday for their home in Altus, Okla., they were accompanied home by Mrs. C. C. Lewis of this city.

The remains of Mrs. James Ford, who died several days ago in Oklahoma, were brought to Decatur Wednesday and buried in the Pleasant Grove cemetery, below Decatur.

Prof. A. K. Short and family of College Station, were here this week visiting homefolks, after having made a trip through Mexico and the panhandle country.

Guinn and Pat Williams were here Sunday from Mineral Wells. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Williams are moving to Mineral Wells from Post, and Pat will be associated with Guinn in the First National bank of Mineral Wells.

Misses Alice Faulkner and Velma St. Clair are in Fort Worth this week. Miss St. Clair is attending the Tarrant county teachers' institute, as she is to teach in that county the coming session.

Misses Nellie Bly and Patsy Smith of Waco, have arrived in Decatur for the opening of Decatur college. Miss Nellie Bly will resume her duties as instructor of expression in the college.

Messrs. James Riddle and P. L. Jones have formed a partnership for transactions in real estate, oil leases, etc. The offices will be in the Spencer building west side of the square. The gentlemen are alert, wide-awake men and the business will be pushed.

Prof. and Mrs. Brandon Trussell are here this week visiting relatives and friends. Prof. Trussell taught last year in Wishington, D. C., but is now on his way to Los Angeles, Calif., where he will teach in the public schools.

Mrs. J. W. Smith is visiting in Anson, Jones county.

Guinn Williams, head of the First National bank of this place, states that there is every prospect for one of the best fall businesses in the history of the county. "Every line of business should be touched with the coming wave of prosperity," stated Mr. Williams.

Now, Mr. Farmer, get ready for the Wise county fair to be held at Decatur, Sept. 23 to 26, inclusive. Show to the world that we have the best country on earth. Go to the fair on the first day and work like a beaver all through it to show the people from Missouri; you can tell the other fellow.—Chico Review.

Nelson English is back on the job at the Decatur Drug Company, having fully recovered from his injuries received recently when he was struck by an auto on West Walnut street. As yet the officers have no clue as to the identity of the party who drove a car into the buggy in which English was riding.

The Burk-Waggoner Oil Company, the Keystone Petroleum Company, Jones & Rector Oil Company, and the Jones-Riddle Company, have opened offices in Decatur. It is reported that a number of speculators are arriving daily and seeking offices in the city. Mr. Floyd, one of the big promoters in the Burk-Waggoner field, has offices in the Spencer building, with Jones & Rector.

B. M. Mearns and family have moved to Swisher county, near Tulsa, the county seat. Barney has purchased a section of land out there and will engage in raising good cattle. These splendid people are good citizens and their many friends in this community regret to see them leave. Here's hoping, Barney, every calf will be a whiteface with a pedigree running true to form.

Prof. A. R. Chunn of Streetman, the new instructor of math and science in Decatur high school, has arrived in this city to begin his work. He will also have charge of athletics of the school, and expects to make this department more attractive than ever before. Prof. Chunn is a graduate of the Denton normal and has had valuable experience as an instructor.

Miss Hazel Holt, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holt of this city, was married Monday morning at the home of the bride's parents, in North Decatur, to Mr. Warren Dodson of Sanger. Rev. Harlan J. Matthews, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiated. Only a few invited guests and relatives were in attendance on the happy occasion. Immediately after the ceremony the Mr. and Mrs. Dodson left on a honeymoon trip to Dallas and other points. The groom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Dodson of Sanger, and is a young man of splendid habits, reflecting the splendid rearing by christian parents.

Uncle Heck Miller has been a resident of Decatur forty years, and, though yet a young man, he is considered one of the "early settlers." Wednesday Uncle Heck came to town rolling a wheel-barrow. He stopped at a local grocery, loaded up his barrow with good things to eat, and as he started home, he remarked: "I have been here forty years and this is the first time I've ever had to carry my groceries home on a wheel-barrow."

## CLASSIFIED ADS.

One Cent Per Word.

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No Ad Taken for Less than 25c

### LOST

LOST—First Monday in Decatur, Waltham gold watch; picture in back of case. S. A. COX, Rte 8, or leave at Messenger office. (96)

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—3 1/4 Peter Shuttler wagon; good condition; at a bargain.—GEO. MALCOLM, Rte 8, Decatur. (97)

FOR SALE—5-Passenger Ford, 1917 Model; good condition; at a bargain.—BOB CATES, at McCarter's Grocery. (97)

FOR SALE—First-class seed oats and wheat. Come early; supply will not last long. GEO. W. SHORT 10 miles southeast of Decatur. (97)

PIGS—Seven 6-weeks-old pigs for sale. \$50.00 gets the seven if taken at once.—DOLPH CONLEY.

FOR SALE—Pure-blood, single-comb white-leghorn cockerels. R. C. NUTTING, Decatur, Texas. (97)

### DECATUR RADIATOR SHOP

East Main Street  
Repair and Rebuild Radiators;  
Make Old Ones as Good as New  
All Work Guaranteed  
Prices are Right  
E. A. FARMER, Prop.

# Cash and Carry

The Farmer Merchant from the beginning cut every expense possible so that people could enjoy a freedom in buying their groceries at a great saving by paying cash.

My plan is best. The family which pays cash and carries its supplies is not taxed for the upkeep of others.

Since all the merchants have cut out the delivery, see to it that they reduce the price of Groceries.

Come to my store. I am pleased to quote prices on anything I have in stock. Quite a number have come in who had not traded with me before, and the prices I made were so much cheaper that it was no trouble for a sale to be made. Come in, one and all!

## Fred Freeman "The Farmer Merchant"



# Camel

## CIGARETTES

**Cigarettes made to meet your taste!**

Camels are offered you as a cigarette entirely out of the ordinary—a flavor and smoothness never before attained. To best realize their quality compare Camels with any cigarette in the world at any price!

Camels flavor is so refreshing, so enticing, it will win you at once—it is so new and unusual. That's what Camels expert blend of choice Turkish and choice Domestic tobacco gives you! You'll prefer this blend to either kind of tobacco smoked straight!

As you smoke Camels, you'll note absence of any unpleasant cigarettey aftertaste or any unpleasant cigarettey odor. And, you'll be delighted to discover that you can smoke Camels liberally without tiring your taste!

Take Camels at any angle—they surely supply cigarette contentment beyond anything you ever experienced. *They're a cigarette revelation!* You do not miss coupons, premiums or gifts. *You'll prefer Camels quality!*

**18 cents a package**

Camels are sold everywhere in scientifically sealed packages of 20 cigarettes or ten packages (200 cigarettes) in a glassine-paper-covered carton. We strongly recommend this carton for the home or office supply when you travel.

**R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO., Winston-Salem, N. C.**

"Perils of Thunder Mountain" at the Majestic Saturday. See it!



## Chico Test Well Ready to Drill

The slush-pit and cellar at the derrick, east of town, have been completed, and the water-well will be dug next week. A car of tools and utensils for the drilling of the well, also the engine arrived this week and have been laid on the ground. As soon as casing, which has been shipped several weeks, arrives, the drilling for oil will begin. Things are moving along nicely and before you know it, the bit will be going down after the golden fluid. It may yet be several weeks before oil machinery is at work. But you can bet your last cent that a thorough test will be made by Messrs. Wilmoth & Bock, backed by the Wise-Comanche Burk Oil Co., to the limit. If these men don't get oil before they quit you may know for a certainty that there is no oil, but the best geologists in the country are ready to back their judgement with their money that they will find oil in paying quantities.—Chico Review.

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Do you ever stop to wonder why it is that some days you get so fearfully tired, and on others, when perhaps you have accomplished a great deal more and really worked harder, you are just as fresh as a daisy?

There are reasons for this, and if you understand just what they are you can prevent a lot of weariness which compels you to slow down so often. Moreover, you can so arrange your daily routine as to recover quickly from weariness and "come back" full of pep and punch.

It requires only ten or fifteen minutes a day to care for the body properly, after it is once gotten in good condition.

It isn't the work we really enjoy doing that tires us, it is the distasteful tasks that pull us down. Man and woman very often are misfits and the work they are compelled to do is the very work which the should not do.

The logical thing then to do is, first of all, to choose an occupation and work for which you are best fitted to do, then go at it determined to be the leader in the undertaking.

### Ventilation

Many people wonder why they tire so quickly when the real cause is not far to seek. It is all too often found in an over-heated or closed up atmosphere. Fresh air enables the body machine to run more smoothly. Energy is the result of burned up tissues and forces. This means that there is waste to get rid of. This waste is much like clinkers in the bottom of the ash pit of the furnace clogging and preventing a free, vigorous circulation.

How many people practice what they know about fresh air? Fresh air is the remedy for many ills. When we take in fresh air, with deep, full breaths which sends it all parts of the lungs, the blood stream is oxygenated in its journey and made red and strong by chemical action, and so able to cast out poisonous bodily waste, the pulse beats more rapidly, showing that the revitalized blood is being pumped with energy to the depleted nerves and tissues, thus making them strong to get rid of whatever waste matter they may be retaining.

Fresh air helps the whole body to function properly, makes the head clear, the eyes brighten and the mind alert.

### Food

Food is necessary, yet too much food is disastrous. A light nourishing meal in the middle of the day, which is easily digested, is much better for brain workers than a heavy meal which leaves the subject sleepy, lazy and drowsy because the blood is drawn from the brain to aid in the digestion of the heavy food. There is another extreme—that of going without food for an unusual length of time; it can't be done. You can not run an engine without fuel. Chewing is also essential. Chew everything to a liquid and even chew the liquids.

Whatever you eat, be sure you get all the taste out of it before it leaves your mouth.

### Recreation

If you are to be well, happy and cheerful, you must play. Recreation is another important factor in the helping of casting off weariness and in fortifying against overwork. Enter into the playful spirit of your children.

Some people are foolish and never allow themselves any time or expense account for enjoyment. You remember that the reason Jack became a dull boy was because he indulged in "all work and no play." An individual who is fresh and rested is not dull.

It is a positive scientific fact that wholesome pleasures indulged in moderately, and hasten all normal

## Cheese Worth Over \$16,000 Displayed

Chicago, Sept. 3.—Some cheese! If you don't believe it, here are the facts, for it is the largest cheese in the world, and it was made for Armour & Company:

Weight—31,964 pounds.  
Height—8 feet.  
Diameter—10½ feet.  
Circumference—33 feet.  
Value—\$16,000.  
Weight of container—8000 pounds.  
Milk used—800 pounds.  
Salt used—1251 pounds.  
Three bandage cloths used, valued at \$260 each, measuring 33 feet long and 16 feet wide.

Factories furnishing the curds—59.

Made by 73 cheese-makers and helpers.

Value of cheese factories—about \$400,000.

Milk taken from 12,000 cows on 1800 farms.

This cheese, larger than any ever attempted before, was made to be exhibited by Armour & Company at the National Dairy Show to be held at the International Amphitheater, October 6 to 12, 1919.

So big and unique is this huge cheese that motion pictures have been taken by two large film companies, which will circulate the pictures of the world's greatest cheese throughout the world as well as the process of manufacture.

## Wise County Bonds for Books Not Made

The schools in Wise county that have failed to make the necessary bond to secure free text books are as follows: New South No. 18; Ullman No. 8; Dewey No. 113; Milligan No. 115; West Academy No. 43; Pleasant Grove No. 90; Core No. 1; Lake Valley No. 77; Perrin No. 52; Valley View No. 2; Hopewell No. 96; Howard No. 4; Jasper Creek No. 68; White Hill No. 51; Flatwoods No. 46; Glasgow No. 86; Arnold No. 104. Bonds should be made immediately if the free text books are to be secured from the state.

bodily processes. Pleasant conversation at meals encourages good digestion. An atmosphere of haste, faultfinding and worry, causes the food to be assimilated slowly and leads to dyspepsia. It is always unwise to eat when mentally irritated. Pleasant surroundings, music and cheery conversation may be well worth their price from a business standpoint. Remember, wholesome pleasure enjoyed at the right time, makes for good health.

When you go home from business or when the household duties of the wife have been extremely heavy, and all are tired and don't care whether "school keeps or not," when all in the home are inclined to be irritable and things "all in," that's the time to spruce up, pull yourself together and go somewhere. Before you left home you reflect that this is a hard, hard world, and there is always something or somebody to take the joy out of life. While three hours later you start for home as fresh as a colt, and turn in and sleep like a top.

Yes, recreation is both a mental and physical rejuvenator. And the man who thinks he is too old for "such nonsense," ought to be put in an aquarium along with other crabs and queer fish.

### Exercise

Make up your mind in taking up health culture that enthusiasm is the most important factor. Without enthusiasm, you can do nothing. Lay out a few simple exercises in the beginning that will not require over ten or fifteen minutes a day to carry out, then keep them up, get the habit in your bath room in the morning of going through the morning exercise.

Do not exercise like a prize fighter, but train in a systematic way.

The first exercise you should take it to test your endurance (ages sixteen to forty years). Hold out your arms horizontally as long as possible noting how many minutes this can be endured. After a month's practice of dieting and exercising take the same test and note the change.

For the heart and lungs, take the deep knee bending exercise; that is squatting to the floor. As you squat raise the heels and rest upon your toes, then back to the standing position, resting on the whole foot. This exercise should be done at least thirty times a minute, watch your deep breathing with each exercise.

Your next exercise should be to lean over and touch the floor with the tips of your fingers without bending the limb at the knee. This exercise is by far the simplest and most effective exercise ever used by athletes.

## Governor Hobby's View on New Party

"They say that I am a small man. But none of them have denied that big things have happened while I have been in office. If they throw down such a challenge, I am more than willing to take the gauntlet and answer the charge.

"I am not so humble as to say whether I am a big man or a small one. But I will state that I had rather be a small man doing big things than a big man on the outside talking about the little things I could do. But because I closed the careers of certain politicians which I found open, and opened the doors of the university which I found closed, they have been camping on my trail ever since.

"But when men of that caliber seek to belittle the nation, saying that liberty has been lost, they simply mean that liquor has been lost. But I defy them to prove that liberty is ruined when the doors of the saloon have been closed. I defy them to prove that life is less liberal because women have a chance to express their ideas on the workings of this state. It is simply a case of men who were conspicuous on the inside being disgruntled at being less conspicuous on the outside.

"Until last November 11, during the months that this country was at war, I was guided by the thought of that which would help win the war. From then, henceforth, and hereafter, I hold that every thought, deed and act shall be one which will vitalize the idea that Texas is for Texans and that America is for Americans; one thought is handmaiden to the other.

"It was that thought I had in mind when I urged the passage of a bill which would put the study of German from every school of the state. It was that thought that I had in mind when I urged that German should not be taught in the state university. If we must speak a common language with the Germans, let them be taught the speech which we, as Americans, use. Methods leading to the adoption of these ideas will be urged by me until they are adopted by the state and are written in the state constitution.

"I am in favor of Texas and the Texans only attending to the affairs of the state. And when those little thin-brained, weak-jawed politicians from the North come down here I am in favor of sending the Yankees who are trying to arouse the ire of two races living in peace and contentment back where they and their class have come from."

Governor Hobby disposed of the new parties in the state in the briefest of fashions, saying:

"Texas is going forward faster than ever before, and all the calamity howlers or the new parties they may form will not stop the stride for progress.

"Texas was made clean during the war. And not only for the living, but as a tribute to those who sleep beneath the poppies of France, it is our duty to keep it cleaner and better to live in through all the years. Let it be our duty to guarantee this, so that there will be equal justice, education, and a home for all men who live from the Red river to the Rio Grande, and then it will be said that "peace hath her victories not less than war."

### THE WAR'S RESULTS AFFECTING YOU

We are hearing much about the world's crop of wheat and sugar and lumber, but we do not hear so much about the world's crop of men. As a result of the war the reckoning is as follows:

7,781,806 military dead.  
16,967,135 total fatalities.  
9,185,329 civilian dead.  
18,600,000 wounded.

Of this 18,600,000 the living, who are probably permanent wrecks, are 6,000,000. Those men whom it is hoped can be restored to health are 12,600,000. These figures are appalling when we stop to consider that many of these men were educated and trained. Many of the victims were innocent, right living people. From this it is evident that education plus training that alone are insufficient. The Germans had this; that right living and honesty without education and training invites despoliation. This was the case with the peasantry of Belgium and France. The force that won the war was education plus training plus righteousness. This constituted the mightiest force in the world, in the war, in social life and in business. It always will constitute it.

Plan for increased knowledge of what you are doing year by year. Plan for practical experience and better training of the progressive kind in your work. Couple this force with right living, and the righteousness, and the glory and power of it all will be yours!

## Drew Woody and Wife Celebrate

On August 24, 1869, T. D. Woody, a stripling of a boy, 17 years of age, and Miss Martha Boyd, also 17 years of age, were united in marriage in Wise county, Texas. Rev. William Bradford performing the ceremony. When eight years of age they attended the same school, became sweethearts and decided they would marry as soon as school was out. Learning that they could not marry at that age did not discourage them in the least, but continued their courtship, waited nine years, when they were happily married. Mr. Woody bears the distinction of having been the first white child born in Wise county, his father, Uncle Sam Woody, being the first settler, building the first log house in the county in 1852 in what is known as the Deep Creek community, nine miles south of Decatur and about 35 miles a little west of north from Fort Worth. After their marriage Mr. Woody engaged in farming and stockraising for a number of years, later moving to Decatur to educate his children. The family resided here 18 years, six years of that time Mr. Woody was engaged in the drug business. In the early nineties the family moved to Oklahoma and again engaged in stock-raising.

Six years ago Mr. Woody became interested in oil and invested in land at Edgerly, La., on which there are now several producing wells, paying good dividends. Several years ago Mr. Woody bought property 2½ miles northeast of Clyde where they with two sons now reside. The Clyde Callahan Oil Co. has derricks up on the property and drilling will begin this week. All machinery and tools are now on the ground.

Mr. Woody's father, Uncle Sam Woody, of 1200 Samuels avenue, Fort Worth, who is in his 94th year, was present at the 50th wedding anniversary of son, Uncle Sam is an interesting character and can tell many interesting stories of the early days. He is active for one of his age and bids fair to pass the century mark.

A brief sketch of his life will be of interest. Sam J. Woody was born in Tennessee, May 24, 1826, and he moved to Texas with his family in 1849, built the first house in Wise county in 1852. In this log cabin some of the great men of Texas have been entertained, such men as Sam Houston, Richard Coke and all of that illustrious line that made the early history of our state so brilliant. In this same log cabin Mr. Woody entertained a governor of Georgia for a whole week, hunting deer and teaching him the ways of the wilderness.

The Indians were friendly in those days—they didn't get hostile until the time of the civil war. Delewarres, Comanches and Kiawas lived within 200 yards of his cabin and he didn't hesitate to leave his family alone, for the Indians loved them all.

Mr. Woody was on the first grand jury ever held in Tarrant county. By voting 14 men from Wise county, he was in all probability responsible for the Tarrant county courthouse being moved from Birdville to Fort Worth in 1853. Ft. Worth won the election by only seven votes.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Woody have nine children, all of whom were present at the anniversary. Their names follow: Mrs. Exall Woodward, Mountain Park, Okla.; Tom Woody, Snyder, Okla.; Mrs. Nora Hutchinson, Paducah, Texas; Sam Woody, Randfield, Okla.; Mrs. Ethel Dobbs, Burkburnett, Texas; Frank Woody, Clyde, Texas; Harry Woody, Snyder, Okla.; Oscar Woody, Clyde, Texas; Drew Woody, Burkburnett. There are twenty-three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Five generations were represented at the anniversary.

This brief sketch would be incomplete without a word about Mrs. Woody. During all these years she has been a faithful companion to her husband, sharing alike his toil, sorrows, prosperity and triumphs. To her untiring energy is attributed a large measure of whatever success has been achieved.

The fatted calf was killed for the home-coming and a bountiful dinner was spread, 53 persons being served.

A number of nice presents were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Woody. Photos were made of four of five different groups.

It was a good day and may these good people enjoy yet other anniversaries and home-comings is the sincere wish of friends.—Clyde Enterprise.

Miss Agnes Spencer has returned from a visit with the family of Judge Spencer in Wichita Falls. She will leave in a few days to take up her duties as instructor in the Dallas high school.

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